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Finance Committee seeks solutions

by Brent Silverman

The Shaker Heights Board of Education has taken great strides towards solving present and future financial problems. Recently the Citizens' Finance Committee was founded. The committee is comprised of 23 financial experts living in the Cleveland area. It is headed by Chairman David Hopcraft.

Mrs. Katherine McWilliams, President of the Shaker Board of Education, said "The Shaker administration has no person who does research for the Board of Education; that is why we founded the Citizens' Finance Com-

mittee. The committee will give us input on our options for long and short term issues concerning the school system."

The committee's first task was to review the district's financial sources. They found that aside from levies, Shaker receives sums of money from state and federal governments. Unfortunately, this money isn't enough. Mrs. McWilliams says, "We are trying in every way to cut costs. Every department has been cut 10 per cent. We want to have a quality program in Shaker without being hurt by cuts." As

of now, Mr. Ray Everett, Administration Treasurer, is reviewing the current budget and making projections. In our budget, 85 per cent of the money is used to pay the salaries of teachers, administrators, custodians, and all other employees of the school system. The remaining 15 per cent is used to purchase new equipment and supplies. The projection will be viewed by the Citizens' Finance Committee, and they will advise the School Board if another levy is necessary or what other actions need to be taken.

The committee also assessed the quality of Shaker's educational product by interviewing representatives of higher educa-

tion and industry. They found that most Shaker graduates attending college are doing well, but an important issue the committee must confront is, are the graduates who don't attend college well enough educated to find jobs?

The committee will review the interrelationship of the school with city, state, and federal governments. They are hoping to establish government support by making necessary contacts. Other aspects with which the committee will concern itself are improving student achievement, career education, and improving motivation for the remedial curriculum students. Additional in-

put will be sought from teachers and students.

The Citizens' Finance Committee is a worthy asset to the Shaker school system and community. The Board of Education has hired competent and concerned financial experts. It has become necessary to advise every possible expenditure that the administration or board makes in order to curtail expenses.

It is anticipated that the committee will produce a report in January, 1983, involving an in-depth study of the financial situation of the district. They will present consensus recommendations based on this study to the board.

Democrats win in a landslide.

by Susan Warshay

Democrats swept the elections throughout the nation this November, as well as on the local scene.

Democrat Dick Celeste defeated Republican congressman Clarence Brown by a wide margin in the race for Governor. Celeste will succeed retiring Governor James Rhodes, a Republican. Senator Howard Metzenbaum, Democrat, retained his position, defeating Paul Pfeiffer, Republican. Metzenbaum also won by a comfortable margin.

On the local scene, State Representative Lee Fisher, Democrat, was victorious over State Senator Ben Skall, Republican, in the 25th district Ohio Senate race. The contest between

Skall and Fisher was hard-fought and trailing far behind in this race was Independent Grant Guy Wills. As a result of the recent state district re-apportionment, Skall will serve in the Ohio Senate for another district for two more years.

In the race for U.S. House of Representatives in the 21st district, Democrat Louis Stokes defeated Republican Alan Shatteen by landslide proportions as expected.

In addition to the candidate elections, three important state issues were decided in this election.

The only issue to pass was issue one. This issue involves lowering the interest rates on loans for the purpose of housing. Specifically it will lower mortgage rates for first-time home buyers through low interest mortgage revenue bonds authorized by federal tax laws. This will also create 16,500 man-years of employment in house construction and allied industries, and provide for more and better senior citizen housing at lower costs. Another important aspect to this issue is that it will not increase taxes.

The two issues that did not pass were issue two, which proposed a 1% sales tax increase in order to build high-speed railways between many of Ohio's major cities, and issue three, which would have allowed for the election of public utilities officials.



KING

Re-elected Congressman Louis Stokes during his campaign pitch at Shaker

Artists exhibit work

by Nana Goshen

The artistic work of six Shaker students is currently on exhibit at the Ohio State University Gallery of Fine Arts, in Columbus, Ohio. The High School Invitational is scheduled to run from November 1 through November 26, 1982. The students participating are seniors Craig Miloscha and Elyse Nossel; juniors Sean Branagan, Wendy Slain, Jean Smith and Pam Williams.

All the artists were pleased with their accomplishments. "I feel really honored to be a part of it," commented Jean Smith. She

continued, "and I think it's a great program because it gives me a chance to see what other people think about my work."

Wendy Slain added that she was glad her project got into the show.

Mr. Frank Rood, art instructor and coordinator of Shaker Heights entrants in the contest, displayed his satisfaction with Shaker students. "We are pleased the students are participating for the second time in this program. It gives them an excellent opportunity to display their work and compare achievement levels with other schools in the state."



KING
O.S.U. exhibition artists, kneeling from left Jean Smith, Wendy Slain and Elyse Nossel. Standing from left are Sean Branagan and Pam Smith.

Semanteme announces competition

How would you like to win five or ten dollars, no strings attached? How would you like to discover that your creative writing, artwork, or photography is the best at Shaker High School? How would you like to see your creative writing, artwork, or photography published in a quality publication? How would you like to submit your creative writing, artwork or photography to Semanteme's Fall 1982 fine arts contest?

Semanteme is Shaker's only fine arts publication. As such, it represents the creative entity of Shaker Heights High School. Semanteme has existed in this capacity for more than fifty years. With this background, Semanteme represents a tradition of fine literature and art. Your submissions will be judged by our experienced staff. Do not hesitate to submit your creations for fear of their rejection. We accept submissions from the entire Shaker student body; yours just might be Semanteme material. If interested, please turn your submissions in to Mr. Johnson in Room 133 or any Semanteme staff member. The effort may prove to be the most rewarding challenge you undertake this academic year.

Youth Center conducts annual fund raiser

by Bill McGovern

The Shaker Heights Youth Center has been serving teenagers in this community for many years, free of charge. Presently they are in the midst of their annual major fund drive to continue this service.

The Youth Center has three sources of money. The city of Shaker Heights, the school board, and private donations, each comprise approximately one-third of the total annual budget for the programs. The board of trustees is trying to raise that final third through two large campaigns. The first is a mail campaign and the other, which takes place in January, is in con-

junction with the Cleveland Playhouse. Success in both is necessary for the continued operation of the agency.

Joy Wilmott, the program's director, is pleased with "the generosity of the community despite the current economic situation." She added that the response of the community to their fund drives indicates that "they believe our program is valuable."

The Youth Center directs their attention toward the problems encountered by young people as they are growing up. Most of the problems are related to some form of chemical-dependency, family problems, runaways,

and depression are among some of the other issues commonly dealt with.

Counseling is done on an individual basis as well as in a group or family situation.

Ms. Wilmott's office is in the Christ Episcopal Church on Warrensville Center between Farnsleigh and Chagrin. Although the headquarters are at the church, Ms. Wilmott indicated that there are several groups meeting at Shaker Heights High School and also a peer counseling group at the junior highs in Shaker.

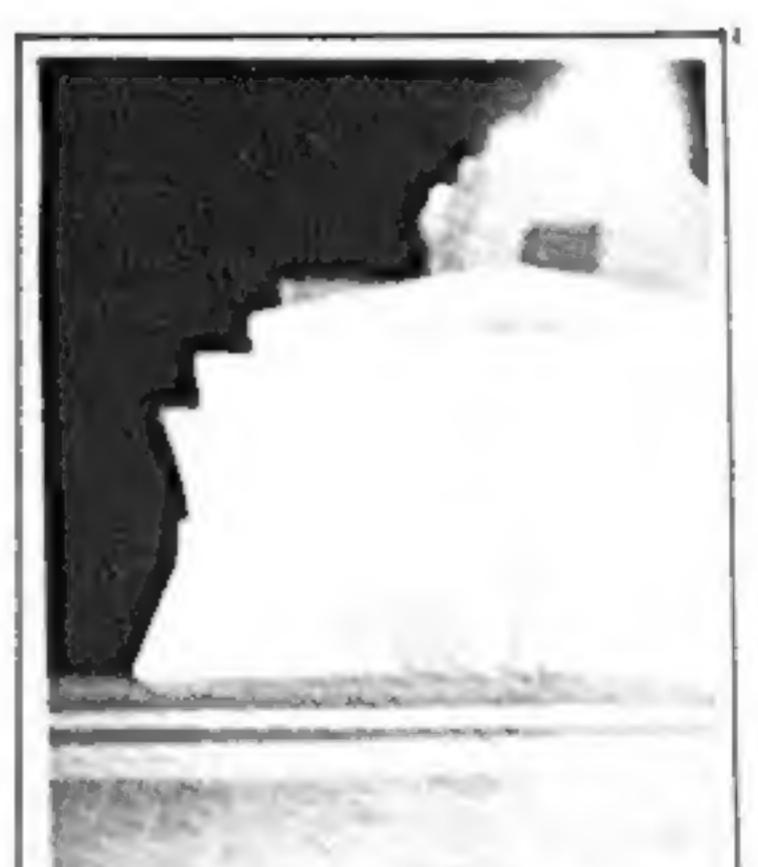
She also said that the center is constantly busy because there are groups meeting somewhere

every day this year.

Ms. Wilmott also stressed that use of the Youth Center has increased over the last year from approximately 418 to 600. "People are using the services, and we would like to add more staff so we can continue responding quickly and for free."

The primary goals of the center for the next few years are to increase staff and continue their counseling free of charge.

When asked if there was anything that the Youth Center wanted to relay to the Shaker student, she commented that "all the programs and services offered by the Youth Center are there for them."



MILOSCHA
The steeple of Christ Episcopal Church — home of the Youth Center.



Utopia may not be here

by David Michel

Not long ago, on one of those last few days when the weather was nice enough to eat outside, I was brown-bagging it on my usual traffic island downtown when I chanced to see a Republican acquaintance of mine making his way through the noon-time crush of nouveau-broke. I waved him over and waited quietly while he seated himself on a man-hole cover adjoining the garbage can into which I was peeling a rotten banana. After he put down his briefcase and took his car keys out of his mouth, I saw that he was observing me with a self-satisfied grin that bordered dangerously on being a smirk.

"Why so happy?" I asked regarding him suspiciously around the curve of my banana which I had conveniently left in my mouth, enabling me to better unfold my newspaper. "Didn't you guys take a drubbing in the elections?"

"That's just it," he beamed, obviously delighted. This comment caused me finally to bite through the banana and into my tongue and gave me the pleasure of watching my last Dole perform a spiralling freefall onto the pavement where it was promptly run over by a passing Japanese import. Reminded by this image of the American economy, I demanded a further explanation.

"Don't you understand?" he exclaimed. "By voting Democratic the people think they have destroyed Reagan. Nobody's campaign focused on his own views; they all talked about what they thought of the President. But his economic disaster will be around for years." My friend's eyes sparkled at the idea. "The interest rates are only coming down because no one can afford to borrow. They're all unemployed. No-

body can possibly solve the mess he's made. The Democrats will catch all the blame for not fixing things, and we'll mop up in the next elections and cop the presidency. Moreover, Watt and

Gorush and Donovan are still in too." I shuddered.

Getting up to leave, he tripped on an unemployed Republican candidate. They smiled.



American double-standard questioned

by Marc Kamionkowski, Nechama Navony, and Danny Warshay

The recent opinion article scorning Israeli policies represents the typical double-standard by which Israel is judged.

In the recent past, several cases of complete genocide and utter barbarism have escaped the notice of the American public and the media while its attention has been aimed solely at deriding Israel.

Where are the news photos of the 100,000 civilians mowed down in the current Iraq-Iran war? Where was the coverage of the razing of the Syrian town Hama, whose 25,000 innocent inhabitants were ruthlessly

butchered at the hands of the Syrian Army? Where are the outraged to protest the massacre of Maalot, where twenty-two Israeli school children were murdered at the whim of the P.L.O.?

With respect to the current conflict, how many Americans realize that a massacre of Palestinians occurred on a much greater scale in Jordan (20,000 were attacked during "Black September" of 1970)? Furthermore, how many realize that hundreds of Palestinians fled to safety in Israeli territory?

Regarding the Beirut massacre, the fact remains that nobody has placed the blame where it really belongs — on the hands of the Christian Phalangists.

On September 16, 1982, talks between the Israeli high command and the Christian militia were held, during which the Israelis were repeatedly assured that no civilians would be harmed and that only P.L.O. forces would be removed from the Sabra and Shatila refugee camps. There was no reason for the Israelis to doubt the word of the Phalange as a similar operation into the Borgan Barogne camp just a few days earlier had been successful. Tragically, the Phalange failed to keep their word.

After the tragedy had occurred, all of the blame was directed toward Israel while the actual murderers had total impunity. Granted, Israel was guilty to some degree concerning negligence; however, it is ludicrous to place full responsibility for the massacre on the Israeli high command as Mr. Zoltan has done. Quite obviously, the majority of the blame must lie with the Lebanese Christian forces. This is where the reporters and editors should direct their attention.

It seems the world always expects more of Israel, and she is almost always equal to the task.

Opinion

Home residents suffer neglect

by Ariana Ranson

Mrs. W is a 70-year-old nursing home resident who can most frequently be heard saying from her wheelchair, "I'm so lonely." Many elderly people like Mrs. W suffer from loneliness, caused by the neglect of families who have institutionalized their relatives, rather than from the neglect of the institution itself.

Nursing homes are established to minister to the needs of the elderly; but when we see a sudden character change, we become shocked and dismayed to see our elderly becoming less motivated and even unresponsive towards us when we choose to visit them. People are too eager to put the blame on nursing homes for this sudden change, but they don't begin to accept the idea that maybe we ourselves are guilty of instigating this change.

It is important to realize that

for many, only nursing homes can provide the adequate facilities that are required for taking care of the physical needs of a patient. But if more people took time out to volunteer at nursing homes, many lonely people could better cope with their loneliness and not feel so neglected. The Margaret Wagner House on Euclid Heights Blvd. urges anyone to come in and spend time with many of their lonely patients.

Almost all older people who are institutionalized suffer from some degree of loneliness, but outside concern can help many to cope with the depression, as well as diminish their feeling of being neglected.

Instead of coming home and watching the soaps, why not volunteer some of your afternoons to one who might find your time priceless?

Opinion

Tylenol is no relief

by David Bartram

The recent wave of "Tylenol killings" is an indication of how sick the American society really is, as crazy people have discovered the latest fashion of killing. Some people may argue that the deeds of a few do not represent society as a whole, but think of the human body. If the appendix is inflamed, the whole body suffers and is indeed in danger of dy-

ing. Such is the case with the American people today.

No one is safe anymore. Anything that enters our mouths now represents potential death. Coming only several weeks before Halloween, the contaminations came at an especially inopportune time, as people bit into an increased number of razor blades, pins, and the like; thus, lunatics were encouraged or enlightened to attack those children who dared, perhaps foolishly, to go out trick-or-treating. I sincerely would like to understand the reason or motivation for inducing hallucinations on a group of kindergarten youngsters at a party through amphetamine-laced candy bars. Parties would not have even been necessary if all parents had been able to feel secure about letting their children go out trick-or-treating. But the larger issue remains with the contamination of commonly-consumed foods and medicines.

The economic issue, although secondary to the human life aspect, is astounding. The de-

crease in stock prices for Johnson and Johnson, parent company of Tylenol, resulted in a paper loss of 657 million dollars. This figure does not include lawsuits against the company, nor does it include losses suffered by other companies involved in similar incidents. Another factor is the cost of implementing new tamper-proof methods of keeping products safe, an action that is being required by new state and federal legislation. The unfortunate and unavoidable problem remains, however, that if someone really wants to, he or she will find a way to cause a recurrence.

There seems to be a let-up in the tamperings, a sigh of relief is almost in order for those for whom the immediate crisis is over. But what will our brilliant lunatics come up with next? An article in *U.S. News and World Report* bears the title "Lessons that Emerge from Tylenol Disasters"; these are lessons which the American public should have never had to learn, especially with death as a teacher.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Israeli policies condemned unjustly

Dear Editor,

As a "practicing Zionist and humanitarian," I am appalled at the misrepresentation of the facts and subsequent unfair judgments made regarding the State of Israel in Paul Zoltan's article, "Israeli Policies Scorned," in the Oct. 29 issue of *The Shakerite*. In selectively accepting "facts" before a proper and thorough investigation has been completed, the article misled its readers in the picture it painted of the Palestinian massacre.

For example, to state that "the Israelis had taken part in the planning of the assault," implies an active participation in the massacre, something which has been denied by all parties involved. It is this tone of blind negativity toward the Israelis which renders Paul's article as only a

biased opinion, and not as an objective evaluation of the situation.

I admit my own bias, for I am committed to Israel's survival. However, if through Israel's investigation, it is discovered that Israel is at fault, I will add my voice to those who call for justice to be done.

Yet where was the condemnation and outcry of the world when the PLO began its slaughter of innocent Israelis over a decade ago? Why have humanitarians reserved their wrath for Israel alone? It is not right to condemn Israel before the facts have been thoroughly investigated and disclosed for the world community to judge for itself.

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Nation focuses upon Shaker

by Lisa Schattinger

On the Thursday night before elections, approximately one hundred fifty Shaker parents and students met to predict the results of the Ohio November elections. The Shaker High School group, under the direction of history teacher Terry Pollack, acts as one of the four representative voices for Ohio. Thirty-two other states were involved in the survey. The results of the Shaker tally were phoned into the Baltimore Convention Center, Election Central. Shaker predictions were then compared to the Harris Poll predictions. The group predicted a Democratic sweep for the offices of Governor, Ohio representatives to the United States Senate, Congress, and the state representative and Ohio Senate seats in our district. The group also predicted that the state house majority would change

from a Republican majority to a Democratic majority. High unemployment in Ohio, voting with party affiliations, and the fact that the November election was an off-year election in which people tend to vote against the party in power were reasons given by the group for the anti-Republican sentiment. The 100% correct prediction of the winners on election day shows that Shaker Heights really represents a cross-section of people in Ohio.



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Mr. Terry Pollack, Shaker's own election predictor.

Sister Juanita visits Shaker

by Dave Richman

Sister Juanita Shealy recently came to Shaker to speak for a PUSH-Excel assembly. Although she was up until 3 A.M. with her nephew in the hospital, Sister Juanita was determined to come to Shaker "no matter how tired or depressed" she was. The reason given for her attitude was that she loves being with young people because, according to her, young people "are the folks you learn the most from, they have the most to give."

Presently working at Cuyahoga Community College and speaking to large groups like Shaker, Sister Juanita expressed in her speech to the students that everyone in this world has something to give. She emphasized that we should take advantage of that gift in every person we meet.

Although "old enough to be your parents," as Sister Juanita describes her age, she possesses the vigor of a teenager. When questioned about her vigor, she related, "I want to meet as many people as possible so that I can teach them my philosophy, which is to appreciate all people, even ones you might dislike. You learn from everybody."

As was obvious from her speech, Sister Juanita feels one learns the most from young people. She would prefer to spend most of her time with young folks and with her family.

Also evident in her speech was the reason she came to Shaker to help people motivate themselves, which is the whole point of PUSH-Excel. She told us to challenge ourselves and, combined with our ability to learn from people, we will excel.

Some more sundry semantics from Warren Buss

The rug-man came every year on the same day of the same month at precisely three o'clock. My mother would open the door, and there he would be, his samples under his arm, briefcase in hand. He always wore a long gray raincoat and a small gray hat with a black band around it just above the brim. For as long as I could remember he had always had white hair,

...bushy, but perpetually in place, every strand of it. A meticulously kept white moustache matched his hair and offset a small, perfect nose. The most noticeable feature about him, though, were his eyes, which sparkled brightly and randomly out of a pair of small rimmed glasses. He always brought his daughter.

"Rainbows and moon-

New Shaker School Superintendent Enjoys His many New Challenges

by Ann Merchant

The beginning of October witnessed the installation of a new superintendent in the Shaker Heights City School District. Dr. Peter Horoschak came to Shaker Heights from Poughkeepsie, New York, where he served as the superintendent for four years. Dr. Horoschak's work experience is centered in urban areas, and Shaker's multi-ethnic community attracted his attention. Before working in Poughkeepsie, Dr. Horoschak worked for the administration of the Boston schools. He was also the Deputy Commissioner of Education in Connecticut for four years.

His family has become accustomed to relocating their home because of Dr. Horoschak's changes in employment. Peter and Anne Horoschak have four children, and their two daughters are in college. Suzanne is doing graduate work and Kathryn is a junior at Skidmore. Their two adopted sons, Chris and Michael, are enrolled in sixth grade at Onaway and seventh grade at Woodbury, respectively.

Dr. Horoschak enjoys the challenges of serving a multi-ethnic community. His policy toward multi-ethnicity is that the community should "take advantage of the diversity." Dr. Horoschak believes that we should teach one another about our cultural and religious differences.

His awareness of the community stems from his belief that the citizens play an important role in the educational system. Dr. Horoschak was impressed by the community's participation in the few meetings he has attended. He hopes to see continued enthusiasm.

The new superintendent feels that his major responsibility is to maintain the high quality of the Shaker system. The job of running a school system has become increasingly difficult because of money problems; so far he has no definitive plans for coping with the money shortage. Dr. Horoschak wants the Board of Education to evaluate all of their programs to make sure they are efficient. Also, he believes the policies must be explained to the community so they will continue to support the school.

In regard to academics, Dr. Horoschak has been aware of Shaker's high standard since he was in graduate school. He proposes that Shaker's computer classes become mandatory because he believes it is important "for every student to become computer-literate." Such training would be offered in addition to a traditional comprehensive program.

"There is no substitute for a good, competent teacher," he states. Dr. Horoschak feels that it is in his role to provide the students with means to accomplish their goals. He is excited about working to maintain Shaker's reputed high standing.



CASARETT

Shaker Heights new superintendent ready for a challenge.

AFSers attend conference

by Susan Jacobson

Shaker's AFS group recently participated in the AFS International conference. The conference is sponsored twice annually by the greater Cleveland AFS committee.

This year's conference took place on Oct. 23-24 at Hiram House camp. The theme, communications, was "Keys that open doors." Joe Lurie, AFS International Vice President, was the keynote speaker this year.

The participants and the 30 staff members had various programs and discussion groups during the two-day overnight meeting. Miss Sally Raymont, who sponsors AFS here at Shaker, said of the basic purpose of the conference, "We attend the conference to get to know one another.

We form a sort of international cultural community working towards world peace. We make the world smaller."

Involved in the year's conference were all of the 45-50 AFS students in the Greater Cleveland area. Three of these students, Carlos Monogas from the Dominican Republic, Alison Bendall from New Zealand, and Chamay Navony from Israel, are attending Shaker. The host brothers and sisters, American students who have previously participated in AFS programs, and two representatives from each school group also attended the conference. Attending from Shaker were Dave Salvator, Judy Deutch, Terry Hall, and Leslie Kean.

Some more sundry semantics from Warren Buss

beams. Always remember 'em kid,' he told me once, his eyes flashing more deeply than usual. "You can't always see 'em, and sometimes you lose sight of 'em, but they're always there."

I didn't understand what he meant then, but neither did it sound strange coming from him. He was probably the only person who could have said that and not sounded strange.

I was eternally grateful to the rug-man for the sense of constancy he gave my life, and I think somehow he must've known it. Anytime I thought of him, I felt reassured that there was some sense maybe in that big outside world I was growing more and more aware of every day.

Then one year the rug-man came alone. I had never seen him without his daughter. He looked alone

and lost that year and didn't say much. The next year he didn't come at all, and I have not seen him again since. I felt let down and very angry for a while at his disappearance and the taking away of the sense of security he had given me, but that one thing he always used to say to me made me feel better about it. And every time I see a rainbow or moonbeam, I can still see his brightly burning eyes.

Shaker Heights; then and now

by Susan Glaser and Bill McGovern

Has the quality of life in Shaker Heights decreased? In 1961 it was announced that Shaker Heights was the wealthiest community in the country. The combined annual income for the 10,402 families in Shaker was \$249,000,000, averaging about \$24,000 per family. A 1980 Census Bureau now reports Shaker as having a rank of fifth, based on per capita income, in Cuyahoga County. Shaker's per capita income is \$15,669, putting it behind Gates Mills, Bratenahl, Pepper Pike and Hunting Valley. Shaker's average family income has risen to \$34,241 in the past twenty years.

On the whole, Cuyahoga County's per capita income increased 119 per cent from 1969 to 1979. Shaker's, on the other hand, increased only 93 per cent in the same period, giving an indication that Shaker's wealth is not increasing as rapidly as is the wealth in a number of other communities in Cuyahoga County.

The decline of Shaker's "eliteness" is evident in factors other than income. One of the indicators of an affluent community is country club membership. In 1961, 50 per cent of all Shaker Heights families belonged to a country club. The manager of one of these clubs remarked in 1961, "The entire social structure of this city is built around country clubs, and no matter what those who aren't members may say, you are strictly nowhereville in Shaker Heights in you aren't a member of a good country club." Although current figures on the number of Shaker residents belonging to a country club are not



URBACH

The Van Sweringen house, a memory of Shaker's past.

available, the idea that a non-member is an outcast has clearly changed.

A big factor in the growth of Shaker has been its Rapid Transit system. Acting as a circulatory system, it has made Shaker a more closely-knit society. The Rapid was bought by Shaker for \$1,300,000 in 1944. It encouraged residence in Shaker Heights by making downtown Cleveland easily accessible. However, in the past few years, as a result of the RTA intervention, the rapid has become more impressive in appearance, but the high prices make it more of a negative than a positive in Shaker's society.

Another interesting fact of 1961 is that 88 per cent of all families employed domestic help, in the form of cooks, gardeners, or maids. Although no figures are available for 1980, it can be guessed that this percentage

would not be nearly as high.

Shaker Heights was known in 1960, as well as 1980, for its excellent school system. The average IQ throughout the school system was 118 in 1961. In 1981, the average IQ dropped to 110. Although both figures are above the national average of 100, a decline within the past twenty years is quite evident.

"It was the Van Sweringen's idea to turn this barren countryside into a rich man's society with broad, central avenues, curving residential streets, parks, trees, and expensive homes. They landscaped the area, laid out a network of streets and on October 27, 1911, incorporated the six and one-half square mile tract as Shaker Village." Although the Shaker reputation is still quite widespread, its past eliteness has changed considerably.

Runaways' comes to Shaker stage

by Nana Goshen

Runaways, Shaker's fall production, is a modern musical originally designed for the New York Shakespeare Festival. It was later taken to Broadway and is an inspiring show with great diversity.

This musical is youth-oriented with a combination of punk, rock-n-roll, reggae, and other forms of popular music. Also, sign language and Spanish are used as

forms of communication as well as English in this play. The sign language is used by the deaf child in Runaways who runs away because he cannot communicate or express his feelings. The cast with the respective parts have to learn sign language, Spanish, and use their English skills in combination with their acting abilities. This unique weaving of communications helps to enrich this play and prove the talents of our Shaker Heights cast.

The Spanish language is used by the Spanish children who run away because they are unhappy.

Through the medium of monologue, dialogue, and song, the runaways reveal "how they got to a place, what they are doing there, and where they plan on going." The runaways are from diverse backgrounds. There are low-class kids running from their environment as well as higher class kids trying to escape the pressures of school.

"Everyone is always trying to escape," says Vincent Cardinale, student theatre teacher and director of the play. "It just depends on how constructive your escapes are. Some people go for long walks, others blast their stereos and some have to run away. The problems are presented. They are there, yes. But you must overcome them, not be overcome by them."

Runaways, written by Elizabeth Swados, has been created from real life incidents and stories from runaways. Ms. Swados spent a year working with young people at a home for runaway

children. Through this close relationship she learned of their hardships and reasons for leaving their homes. The bond she formed with these children allowed her to tell what they were feeling, not just from observers' points of view, but through their eyes as well.

Runaways, says Vincent Cardinale, "is an unflinching look at the problems of runaways. It is a type of entertainment that people from different ages and different backgrounds can attend. They can feel the pain of runaways and learn from them. It is a phenomenally talented cast who put on an insightful show."

by Susan Glaser and Jody Brown

When we were asked to write an article for the Shakerite, we tried to think of something relatively significant to write about. What could be more important than finding out which ice cream parlors make the best sundaes?

A lot of work went into deciding which sundae was the best. We chose four places: Baskin-Robbins, Swenson's, Draeger's, and Sweet Temptations. We made a separate trip to each location and ordered a sundae that sounded appealing, and they were judged on one thing only: taste — not arrangement or clarity of flavor.

Draeger's proved to be a wonderful experience. We decided that the hot fudge topping there is the best, but the sundae is simple. It consists of two scoops of ice cream, and a little cup of hot fudge, nuts or whipped cream costs extra.

Baskin-Robbins also proved to be a taste sensation. The most amazing feature of Baskin-

SWS has new program

by Patty Lewis

A new program has begun in the School-Within-A-School. Newly appointed Department Head, Jeff Lewis, and his staff have started choosing a "Student of the Week." This is the program's first year, and the idea is to motivate students to work harder. So far it has worked very well and everyone is interested in finding out who the special person will be. "It has been a positive experience," states Mr. Lewis.

The qualities that are looked for in the student are improved attendance, academic and personal growth, and contribution to

the SWS (School-Within-A-School) program. These features, along with the name of the student of the week, are posted in the hallway in the basement. The five students who have been "Student of the Week" so far are Homer McClendon, Amie Lasch, Danny Miller, Ed Conklin, and Eric Ross.

When asked about his new position, Mr. Lewis says that he is very excited about it. Becoming department head has provided him with many new challenges and interesting experiences.

Shaker strings are part of Regional Orchestra

by Bill McGovern

The Shaker Heights High School Orchestra was well represented in the prestigious Regional Orchestra concert on Sunday, November 14.

Five students were chosen by a group of judges in Lakewood on October 23 to participate in this group. They are senior Lorna Wilson, who plays the viola, and Kathy Foster and Susan Glaser, both senior violinists who were accompanied by junior violinists Lyra Ghose and Caleb Nelson.

The Regional Orchestra was made up of high school musicians from all over Northeastern Ohio, although most came from Cuyahoga County.

Being involved in this group entails a rigorous practice session. Susan Glaser recalled the practicing and commented that it

was "intense but rewarding."

The first practice was Friday, November 12, after school and into the evening; the second practice was Saturday from 9:00 A.M. to 5:00 P.M. Then there were a couple of practice hours on Sunday, and the concert was Sunday, November 14, at 3:30 in Lakewood.

The main piece was Mendelssohn's *Reformation*.

During the Lakewood tryouts the judges were also judging for participants to go to the all-state orchestra. The statewide version is run in the same manner as the Regional Concert. The eight best violinists in the region participate in the Columbus concert in March. Representing Shaker will be Lorna Wilson, Kathy Foster, and Caleb Nelson.

Aerosmith is back

by Laura Peskin

Yes, Aerosmith is finally back on its feet again after a three year absence from the rock scene. The band has undergone a big transformation with bassist Tom Hamilton, drummer Joey Kramer and vocalist Steven Tyler, who now also does keyboards, as the only remaining original members. They were temporarily put out of operation when lead guitarist Joe Perry and rhythm guitarist Brad Whitford left the band. Some people thought it was all over for Aerosmith, thinking that Perry and Whitford were so vital to the group's sound that they could never be replaced. However the group has pulled together with two new guitarists and another good dose of heavy metal in the Aerosmith tradition.

The new album entitled *Rock in a Hard Place* is surprisingly good for a comeback album. The group basically has the same raunchy, high-powered sound as before, but they seem to be getting a little more adventuresome with the material this time. The song "Joanie's Butterfly" is cleverly constructed. It interweaves several different tempos and moods, including an eerie electronic introduction. They also do a bluesy piano rock tune, "Push Comes to Shove." These touches of creativity make *Rock in a Hard Place* somewhat different from past Aerosmith

albums. Just about all the songs in this album are distinct. "Witch's Brew" and "When Lightnin' Strikes" would make the best singles. The group gets too carried away with trying to be creative on "Jig is Up," which comes out as a jumble of different musical styles that don't fit together too well.

What Aerosmith is lacking is the former strong melodic tones in many songs. This problem is partially due to the fact that new lead guitarist Jimmy Crespo and new rhythm guitarist Rick Dufay are not capable of the astounding riffs of Perry and Whitford. The guitar work is sometimes repetitious and certainly nothing out of the ordinary. Brad Whitford comes back to play on "When the Lightnin' Strikes," and one can tell the difference.

Old-time fans who haven't gotten used to the new Aerosmith might still miss the playing and songwriting contributions of Joe Perry, who decided to leave to pursue a direction that would be more personally fulfilling. He now has his own group called the Joe Perry Project, which is doing fairly well.

No one is too disappointed, the "new" Aerosmith is very good. Their upcoming tour will give them a chance to prove they are still one of rock's top-ranking bands.

Treat sensations tasted

by Susan Glaser and Jody Brown

Robbins' sundaes is that there is a great variety of flavors of ice cream from which to choose. No matter what you order, the choice of ice cream is yours. One could have virtually whatever he wants.

We then sampled Sweet Temptations' offerings and, being in the mood to try something different, ordered the turtle sundae. This masterpiece consists of two scoops of your choice of ice cream, topped with hot caramel, hot fudge, whipped cream, and pecans. It was a sinfully rich treat.

Swenson's proved to be a very rewarding venture. Like Baskin-Robbins, the large variety of ice cream is a definite plus for those who like to be creative with their sundaes. The hot fudge is good and the crowning treat of a cookie in a sundae makes a good impression.

To make a final choice would be impossible. We have come to the conclusion, after the most careful and discerning tasting,

that any hot fudge sundae is good. Each of the places mentioned is known for offering something that is truly fantastic on its bill of fare; the decision lies in the eater's preferences of simplicity or richness; the elaborateness or the quality. We just suggest that when you get a craving for that perfect sundae, head for any one.

Announcement

Student Council is planning many things for Shaker. They are in the process of trying to open up the social room during lunch periods. At the same time, they are organizing a canned goods drive for the week of December 6, as well as a Blood Mobile. In order to make these events successful, they need the support of the student body. They welcome any help or suggestions, so if you are interested, feel free to come to a meeting or contact a chairman.

J.V. football is small but sweet

by Andy Gary

The small but powerful Shaker J.V. Football team has an excellent 7-3 record after their final game against Valley Forge. The final score gave Shaker their third loss. If they had beaten Valley Forge, they would have been the Lake Erie League J.V. football champions even though there is not an official J.V. football title.

The team, coached by Mr. Mark Leimsieder, is small but potent. At the beginning of the summer the team had fifteen players which eventually grew to twenty-five, not a large team at all. In fact, compared to the sixty member varsity team, it is tiny. With such a small team, most of the team is forced to play both ways, that is, they must play offense as well as defense. It seems that this is a benefit to this team because of the outstanding ability of the few players they do have.

Coach Leimsieder said, "It was a very good season, due mostly to

the enthusiasm and fine attitude of the team." He also said that the team was generally excellent with no "superstar" players. He noted that Coach Sedmak did a fine job in his first year of coaching. He worked with the defensive and the offensive line.

The team roster of outstanding players include David Horsfall, who did a fine job on both defensive as well as offensive end, and David Katz, George Patterson and Bruce Gardner, who led the fine running game. The defense was led by a fine linebacking corps led by two-way player Dan Cowan. The team was led by starting quarterback Darrin "Thunder" Thornton. For two games, Thornton was injured, forcing the second-string quarterback, Seth Rosenthal, into action. Seth did a super job, impressing both the coaches and the fans.

The team's two losses were to Nordonia and to Lakewood.



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The Junior Varsity Football team shows Shaker what it's got!

Liz likes horsing around

by Madeline Murphy

There is only one place left for Liz Bell to go up. Long after many girls have given up their strong passion for horses, Liz is starting to make a strong impression on the judges at the Northeast Ohio horse shows.

Liz, a senior at Shaker, has been riding for seven years; the last four years she has been riding seriously. She rode at Roosevelt Firebird Stables until last year, leaving because "it had very little left to offer or challenge me, and the time was ripe for change." For the past year she has been riding at Dorchester Farms four times a week. She loves the quality of instruction there and feels that there is much more opportunity and encouragement to show.

Always fascinated by horses, she has been riding a chestnut thoroughbred called Butch. They have showed together frequently,

and earlier this fall were champions at the prestigious Chagrin Valley Hunt Club.

Liz has gotten over the stage of being afraid of disciplining horses, and she still enjoys giving a horse a carrot and a hug after a good ride.

A recent member of the Ohio Professional Horseman's Association, Liz hopes to earn enough points by the end of the 1983 season to be declared champion of the children's (under 18) division. The higher a rider places in a horse show, the more points she has earned. At the end of the season, the highest point earner wins championship of a division.

"It takes a lot of self-discipline and dedication to get very far in the horse world, and I know I am not very far at all, but right now I have no plans to stop trying," Liz said.



Liz Bell soars to new heights in a recent competition at the Chagrin Valley Hunt Club.



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By Leslie Kean

The Shaker Red Raider Varsity Volleyball team finished its season with a loss to Trinity in tournament play last Thursday. Although the team did not play cohesively in this last match, their season was a victorious one.

Shaker runners

go the distance

by Connie Hartley

Many runners from Shaker participated in the Shaker Square Kiely Cronin Run on Oct. 23. Junior Priscilla Perotti placed second in her age group, and senior Connie Hartley placed fifth overall among the women. Many other students from Shaker as well as many of Shaker's teachers participated in the 6.2-mile run.

The second annual Woodbury Road Race was a great success with 450 runners participating including many runners from the high school. John May of Seven Hills was the overall men's winner in the three mile race, and Cindy Pickering of Painesville was the overall women's winner for the second year.

In the Heights Six Cities Marathon on Oct. 31, junior Karen Adams placed third in her age group for the 26 mile, 383 yard course. Another Shaker runner was Brian McNitt, who finished the course despite a leg cramp.

The cross-country team rounded out their season in third place with a 5-2 record in the Lake Erie League. The team had a 7-3-1 record overall.

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The seeds take root

by David Schryver

The Shaker Heights Junior Varsity Soccer team has finished its season with 12 wins, 3 losses, and 1 tie. The 26-player team, coached by Jeff Lewis, received its losses from Hudson twice, each by a score of 2-0. They lost to Brush by a score of 3-1 and also tied Western Reserve Academy, 1-1. In the winning column Shaker beat arch-rival University School both times they played with scores of 5-0 and 4-2. The team also beat Cleveland

Heights twice; one of the wins was a 4-0 shutout. Other shutouts came against Lake Catholic, 6-0, and Hawken, 4-0. Goalkeeper Joel Heiser gave up only 9 goals in J.V. games. The strong offense and defense of the team lost by only two goals or less in all of their losses.

Standouts on the team were leading scorer Lorenzo Henderson, Drew Landers, Adam Lehman, Andy Straffon, Mel

Arnwine, Ori Hampel, Rob Cronin, and Brian Sullivan. The team's most exciting win came against Lakewood. In the game Lakewood scored first and then Paul Bixler scored for Shaker. With just 15 seconds left in the game, Gulam Khan took a shot from 40 yards out that soared just below the upper bar of the goal to give Shaker the win. Congratulations are in order for the J.V. soccer team for a fine season.

Falconry is true according to SportsMatt

by Matt Glickman

Some sports are continually in the spotlight and are thus understood even by blond, buxom housewives. These include football, basketball, and baseball. Others are generally unknown although no less spectacular. Included in this category are squirreling (discussed in the last issue) and falconry.

Falconry is the term given to hunting with trained hawks and eagles as well as falcons. Wearing a thick glove to protect his wrist from the falcon's talons, the

hunter guides his bird towards its prey. When within striking distance, the falcon begins its spectacular display of speed and coordination. Soaring into the sky, it dives down upon its prey at speeds of up to 200 mph. The grace of watching the bird attack its natural enemies is the main lure of this ancient sport which has been practiced by many notable historical figures such as Shakespeare and Attila the Hun.

The sport, however, does have its problems. Some birds maul

their owner's arm with their sharp, powerful talons while other birds fly away during the hunt, never to be seen again.

Unlike other hunting sports, falconry has not undergone violent attack by environmental groups. Hunting with a falcon does not give an unfair advantage to the hunter as would a rifle, for instance, and the birds only attack their natural enemies.

The actual hunt is only about one-tenth of the sport. The rest of

J.V. Field Hockey completes season

by Anne Nolan

The Shaker Junior Varsity Field Hockey team deserves a lot of credit for the effort it put forth in order to achieve a final record of five wins, three losses and one tie.

The team practiced alongside the varsity team everyday after

school and showed much potential for next year's team.

Junior varsity teams are important because they give their players a competitive atmosphere in which to improve their skills. The pressure isn't placed on winning as much as on improving skills and adjusting to rules which differ from junior high rules. Judging from their final record, the girls learned a lot through their season.

Sophomore Molly Sindelar was the high scorer for the team this year, scoring six out of the twelve total goals scored throughout the season. Senior Lynnette Henderson and sophomore Laura Roth each had two goals and sophomores Michele Campbell and Dana Suknen scored one point each. The team practiced hard under the coaching of Miss Mary Ellen Leuty. Leuty said that she "was pleased with the way the girls played together." The team suffered in its final games because of the illness of several players. The varsity team had the same problem early in the season but was able to finish second in the Lake Erie League behind Western Reserve Academy with eight wins, two losses and one tie.

The J.V. team wrapped up its season on October 28 against Cleveland Heights, losing 2-3. They played a strong second half and almost evened the score, but the match ended before they could capitalize on their fine playing ability, leaving Heights the winners.

Earlier in the season the girls defeated Hudson 2-3, Laurel 4-0, Orange 1-0, and Hawken 1-0. Their only losses came against Heights, Lake Ridge, and Western Reserve Academy by the scores of 2-3, 0-1, and 1-3 respectively.



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From L to R. Peter Stevens, Drew Hertz, Tom Bloomfield and Chris Stevens stretch during a brief moment of rest.

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